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PATENT
Customer No. 22,852
Attorney Docket No. 09812.0485

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re Application of:)
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Goro FUJITA) Group Art Unit: 1634
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Application No.: 10/526,139)
) Examiner: Crow, Robert Thomas
Filed: February 25, 2005)
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For: SUBSTRATE FOR BIOASSAY,)
) Confirmation No.: 6282
DEVICE FOR INTERPRETING)
SUBSTRATE INFORMATION,)
AND METHOD FOR)
INTERPRETING SUBSTRATE)
INFORMATION)

Commissioner for Patents
P.O. Box 1450
Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Sir:

RESPONSE TO RESTRICTION REQUIREMENT

In a Restriction Requirement mailed November 13, 2006, the period for response to which extends through December 13, 2006, the Examiner required restriction under 35 U.S.C. § 121 between the following groups of claims:

- Group I - Claims 1-6, characterized by the Examiner as being drawn to disk-shaped bioassay substrates;
- Group II - Claims 7-8, characterized by the Examiner as being drawn to devices for interpreting substrate information; and
- Group III - Claims 9-10, characterized by the Examiner as being drawn to methods for interpreting substrate information.

Applicant provisionally elects to prosecute Group 1, claims 1-6.

Please grant any extensions of time required to enter this response and charge any additional required fees to our deposit account 06-0916.

Respectfully submitted,

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Dated: December 1, 2006

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